

OSA Risk Assessment for BATC

Kind of priority illegal content	Risk level assigned	Risk factors considered	Additional characteristics considered	Existing controls considered	Evidence
Terrorism	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Low. B/ Risk of service being misused: Low	The Forum, Wiki, online streaming and chat services could all be used to promulgate illegal material or be used to incite offences. Experience is that this has never occurred and if it did, users would spot it immediately.	The BATC members and other users of its online services are mostly holders of amateur radio licences, a predominantly older group at lower risk of online harm than the general population	Users of the Forum, Wiki and streaming services are registered. Chat service users can be anonymous.	There have been no instances of any illegal use of BATC online services. Over the last 10 years, there was one instance of 'Spam' posting and about three instances of unpleasant messages being sent on the chat facility. All of this was dealt with promptly.
Child sexual exploitation and abuse	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Low. B/ Risk of service being misused: Low	The Forum, Wiki, online streaming and chat services could all be used to facilitate offences. Experience is that this has never occurred and if it did, users would spot it immediately.	As above	As above	There have been no instances of any illegal use of BATC online services.

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Image based child sexual abuse material	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Low. B/ Risk of service being misused: Low	As above	As above	As above	As above
Child sexual abuse material URLs	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Low. B/ Risk of service being misused: Low	The Forum and Wiki could be used to post URLs of abuse material.	As above	As above	As above
Grooming (child sexual abuse and exploitation)	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Negligible B/ Risk of service being misused: Negligible	Given the BATC user demographic and the very open nature of the BATC services, it is extremely unlikely that anyone would attempt child grooming	As above	As above	As above
Hate	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Low. B/ Risk of service being misused: Low	The Forum, Wiki, online streaming and chat services could all be used to facilitate offences. Experience is that this has never occurred and if it did, users would spot it immediately.	As above	As above	As above

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Harassment, stalking, threats and abuse	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Low. B/ Risk of service being misused: Low	The Forum, Wiki, online streaming and chat services could all be used to facilitate offences.	As above	As above	Over the last 10 years, there were about three instances of unpleasant (not illegal) messages being sent on the chat facility. All of this was dealt with promptly.
Controlling or coercive behaviour	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Negligible B/ Risk of service being misused: Negligible	The Forum, Wiki, online streaming and chat services could all be used to facilitate offences. Given the BATC user demographic and the very open nature of the BATC services, it is extremely unlikely that anyone would attempt to do this.	As above	As above	There have been no instances of any illegal use of BATC online services.
Intimate image abuse	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Negligible B/ Risk of service being misused: Negligible	As above	As above	As above	As above
Extreme pornography	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Negligible B/ Risk of service being misused: Negligible	As above	As above	As above	As above

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Sexual exploitation of adults	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Negligible B/ Risk of service being misused: Negligible	As above	As above	As above	As above
Human trafficking	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Negligible B/ Risk of service being misused: Negligible	As above	As above	As above	As above
Unlawful immigration	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Negligible B/ Risk of service being misused: Negligible	As above	As above	As above	As above
Fraud and financial services offences	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Low. B/ Risk of service being misused: Low	The Forum, could be used to facilitate offences as items can be offered for sale. There is little use of this facility. Items sold are technical equipment.	As above	As above	As above

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Proceeds of crime	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Low. B/ Risk of service being misused: Low	As above	As above	As above	As above
Drugs and psychoactive substances	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Low. B/ Risk of service being misused: Low	As above	As above	As above	As above
Firearms, knives and other weapons	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Low. B/ Risk of service being misused: Low	As above	As above	As above	As above
Encouraging or assisting suicide and serious self harm	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Negligible B/ Risk of service being misused: Negligible	The Forum, Wiki, online streaming and chat services could all be used to facilitate offences. Given the technical nature of BATC material, this content would be entirely out of place and users would spot it immediately	As above	As above	As above

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Foreign interference offence	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Negligible B/ Risk of service being misused: Negligible	The Forum, Wiki, online streaming and chat services could all be used to facilitate offences. Experience is that this has never occurred and if it did, users would spot it immediately.	As above	As above	As above
Animal cruelty	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Negligible B/ Risk of service being misused: Negligible	The Forum, Wiki, online streaming and chat services could all be used to facilitate offences. Given the technical nature of BATC material, this content would be entirely out of place and users would spot it immediately	As above	As above	As above
Cyberflashing (photo or film of genitals)	A/ Risk of users encountering this material: Negligible B/ Risk of service being misused: Negligible	BATC online streaming services could be used to promulgate this material. Given the technical nature of BATC material, this content would be entirely out of place. Users would spot it immediately and it would cause outrage.	As above	As above	As above
Other illegal content	Risk of users encountering this material: Low	The Forum, Wiki, online streaming and chat services could all be used to facilitate offences. Experience is that this has never occurred and if it did, users would spot it immediately.	As above	As above	As above

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Throughout this risk assessment, it has been noted that the DXSot.TV service is very specific in the nature of content that can be posted and thus represents negligible risk for the promulgation of any form of illegal content.

Disclaimer

This document was produced by Russell E Tribe, G4SAQ on behalf of the BATC committee.

Please note that I am not a lawyer and this document represents my best lay-person's interpretation of the legislation and codes.

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